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GOVERNMENT OF GOA

Department of Civil Supplies and
Consumer Affairs

Notification

DCS/S2/Guidelines/FPS/2023-24/2268

The Government of Goa is hereby pleased to amend the Revised Guidelines for opening Fair Price Shops Notification No. DCS/S-2/FPS-Guidelines/08 dated 30-09-2008 published in the Official Gazette of Government of Goa, Series I No. 30 dated 23-10-2008 (herein referred to as the "principal guidelines") as follows, namely:—

In the Principal Guidelines:—

In Clause No. 10, in sub-clause (j) for the expression "Physically handicapped", the expression "Persons with Disabilities shall be substituted.

This notification shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

This issues with the approval of the State Government.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Gopal A. Parsekar, Director of Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs & ex officio Joint Secretary.

Panaji, 6th September, 2023.

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Department of Finance
Revenue & Control Division

Office Memorandum

12/2/2023-Fin(R&C)/3237

The Office Memorandum No. 1/1(1)/2022-P&PW(E) dated 26-10-2022 issued by Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare,

New Delhi regarding "Amount of family pension and circumstances in which it is paid under the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 2021", has been adopted by the State Government.

The O. M., referred above is available on the Directorate of Accounts website www.accountsgoa.gov.in.

Pranab G. Bhat, Under Secretary, Finance (R&C).

Porvorim, 4th September, 2023.



Goa State Research Foundation

Notification

GSRF/Schemes/DRF/10/2023

GSRF Doctoral Research Fellowship Scheme

The Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF) is pleased to frame the "GSRF Doctoral Research Fellowship Scheme" to provide Research Fellowships to the students of the State of Goa pursuing a full-time Doctoral (PhD) programme to carry out their research work in the chosen discipline.

I. *Short title & commencement.*— (a) This scheme shall be called 'GSRF Doctoral Research Fellowship Scheme'.

(b) This scheme shall come into force from the date of its notification in the Official Gazette.

II. *Introduction to the scheme.*— Over the past decade, the research portfolio in the State of Goa has steadily grown. However, to achieve global recognition for Goa and to become a hub for high-quality research, there is an immediate need for research capacity building and to grow our global research competitiveness by enhancing research quality and encouraging innovation. This 'GSRF Doctoral Research Fellowship Scheme' envisages promoting research in all disciplines and providing financial assistance to full-time doctoral students from Goa in Goa University, its affiliated or autonomous colleges and Research Centres, as laid down in this notification, to undertake research activities leading to their PhD degrees.

III. Objectives and scope.— This scheme aims to promote excellence in research and innovation in Higher Education by supporting young researchers in various disciplines. The following are the key objectives:

(i) To identify motivated young researchers doing research at PhD level in frontier areas of all disciplines.

(ii) To provide financial support to them through fellowship and contingency grants and engage them in research.

The scope of this scheme is to provide financial assistance to young researchers who do not have any Fellowship or scholarship. Assistance will be in the form of fellowship and contingency grant, initially for two years to carry out their Doctoral (PhD) work and extend the same for the third year based on proven performance.

IV. Operation of the scheme.— This scheme shall be implemented and operated by the Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF).

V. Pattern of assistance.— (a) A candidate who joined a full-time PhD as per Goa University process and is selected under this scheme shall be paid Rs. 25,000/- (rupees twenty-five thousand only) monthly. In addition, a contingency grant of Rs. 25,000/- (Twenty-five thousand only) per annum will be paid to all the candidates. The fellowship is tenable for 2 years, which is extendable for the 3rd year based on the performance of the doctoral fellow.

(b) The amount received under the scheme may be utilised to incur the expenditure on the following items:

- Fellowship: The amount allotted under this head may be utilised as a stipend (monthly fellowship) to carry out proposed research work.

- Contingency Grant: The admissible contingency grant can be used for purchasing consumables (chemicals, glassware, etc.) and project-related domestic travel, including attending workshops to acquire new skills and/or conferences to present the results of their doctoral work. Grants may also be utilised

on spares for apparatus, photocopies and microfilms, typing, stationery, postage, internet, fax, computation, printing, buying books and other project-related items.

(c) Grants will be released to the Principal of the College/Head of the Institution.

(d) Instruments/equipment/books/journals/other resources acquired under this scheme will be the institutional property. They must be shared with other researchers and deposited to the Institute after completion of the Fellowship.

VI. Eligibility.— The Doctoral (Ph.D.) Fellowship aims to promote fundamental research and create a research culture in the State of Goa. Through this Doctoral Fellowship, meritorious candidates pursuing a full-time PhD program at Goa University, its affiliated or autonomous colleges, or its recognised research centres such as CSIR-NIO, NCPOR and ICAR-CCARI will be supported. To be eligible, the candidate must have the following:

(a) Have 15 years certificate of residence from Goa,

(b) The candidate must have qualified in any of the examinations recognised by Goa University for PhD admission,

(c) Only full-time PhD students are eligible to apply for this fellowship. Must have a confirmed PhD registration at Goa University within the last one year on the last date of application submission.

(d) Those candidates who do not fall under category (c) above can also apply, provided that they

(i) are not completing three years from the initial (provisional) date of registration at Goa University on the last date for submission of application and

(ii) have at least one published article from their PhD work as a lead or corresponding author in UGC-CARE Group II journal.

(e) The maximum support period will be only two years for those candidates falling

under category (d). They are not eligible for an extension in the third year.

(f) The upper age limit for the fellowship is 35 years, calculated as of the last date of application submission. Age relaxation of 5 (five) years will be given to candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC/PWD & Women candidates.

(g) The selected fellows under this scheme are not eligible to receive any other fellowship/salary from any Government or Non-Governmental sources during the tenure of the fellowship.

(h) The fellowship is tenable only at Goa University, its affiliated or autonomous colleges, or its recognised Research Centres. The host institution should provide necessary administrative and infrastructural support.

(i) The fellowship is purely a temporary assignment and is tenable for a period of 2 years which may be extended for an additional one year for the students falling under the category (c) above, provided the student has at least one published article as a lead author or corresponding author in UGC-CARE Group II journal, during the previous two years.

(j) If the candidate submits his/her thesis during the fellowship period, the day of submission of the thesis will be considered the last day of the fellowship.

VII. Procedure for applying for the scheme.— Candidates must submit their application online in the prescribed proforma, along with required certificates/documents in response to the call/advertisement issued by the GSRF from time to time.

VIII. Procedure for selection of research fellows.— (a) Applications received from applicants will be scrutinised for eligibility by the officials of GSRF or the committee appointed for the purpose.

(b) The scrutinised proposals shall be reviewed by the experts/expert committee appointed for the purpose and allot scores.

(c) The Governing Council of GSRF will take the final decision based on the scores and recommendations made by the Committee.

(d) The Governing Council will decide the number of fellowships based on the availability of funds under the scheme.

IX. Procedure for release of fellowship/grants.— The first six months of the fellowship and the contingency grant of Rs. 25,000/- (Twenty-five thousand only) for the first year will be released to the Head of the Institution where the candidate works after the selection.

The submission of the following documents as per the timeframe given is mandatory:-

(a) Six monthly progress reports (at the end of the sixth and eighteenth months).

(b) Satisfactory Performance Report (given by the Research Guide every six months).

(c) Annual Report of the work carried out (at the end of the first year in the prescribed format; to be reviewed by the committee appointed for the purpose).

(d) Annual Statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificate (at the end of the first year).

(e) Final Technical Report (at the end of the second year in the prescribed format; to be reviewed by the committee appointed for the purpose).

(f) Consolidated Statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificate (at the end of the second year).

(g) The candidates eligible for the extension (third year) shall submit a request in the prescribed format and a soft copy of their publications along with (e) and (f) above.

(h) The candidates on extension also shall submit a six-monthly report at the end of the thirtieth month and documents as in (e) and (f) at the end of the third year.

The timely release of instalments is contingent upon submitting the documents as above.

X. General terms & conditions.— (a) The selected candidates should send their acceptance certificate within two weeks to the GSRF duly forwarded by the Head of the institution to enable GSRF to send the approval/sanction letters.

(b) Fellowship is not transferable to any other person.

(c) If the Research guide/mentor is transferred from his/her original place of work to another Institution within the Goa University jurisdiction, No Objection Certificate should be furnished for the transfer of the fellowship from both Institutions stating that necessary facilities will be provided by the Institution in which the awardee is transferred for the smooth functioning of the fellowship, followed by approval from GSRF.

(d) The fellows are encouraged to publish research papers based on the research work done during the fellowship in journals of high repute (UGC CARE list Group II journals). The fellows should acknowledge the support from the GSRF.

(e) The fellows shall also inform GSRF about any publications that have resulted because of the award of the fellowship, even if the articles are published after the completion of the fellowship tenure. A soft copy of the published paper should be sent to the GSRF.

(f) The GSRF reserves the right to terminate the Fellowship at any stage if it is convinced that desired progress is not being made or the fellowship grant is not appropriately utilised.

(g) No extension in tenure is permissible under any circumstances.

(h) If found appropriate, instruments /infrastructure developed through this scheme can be moved to a centralised facility/institute during or on completion of the fellowship by the GSRF.

XI. Relaxation of conditions.— The Governing Council of GSRF is empowered to relax any or all clauses or conditions of the scheme in genuine cases.

XII. Interpretation.— If any question arises regarding the interpretation of any clause, word or expression of the scheme, the decision about the interpretation shall be with the GSRF, which shall be final and binding on all concerned.

XIII. Amendment.— The Governing Council of GSRF reserves the right to amend the terms and conditions of the scheme as and when required for better and more effective implementation.

The Governing Council of Goa State Research Foundation approved the scheme during its first meeting on 21st July, 2023.

*Malapati K. Janarthanam, Chairperson,
Goa State Research Foundation.*

Alto-Porvorim, 27th July, 2023.

Notification

GSRF/Schemes/PDF/11/2023

GSRF Post-Doctoral Fellowship Scheme

The Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF) is pleased to frame the “GSRF Post-Doctoral Fellowship Scheme” to provide Research Fellowships to Doctorates for research work in any discipline.

I. Short title & commencement.— (a) This scheme shall be called the “GSRF Post-Doctoral Fellowship Scheme”.

(b) This scheme shall come into force from the date of its notification in the Official Gazette.

II. Introduction.— One of the exciting periods of one's research career is the time between submitting a PhD thesis and getting a regular position. During this transition period, with already gained research expertise, they can do frontier research. The post-Doctoral period provides time free of any

regular teaching and administrative responsibilities. It lays a solid foundation to become an independent researcher before taking up a full-time academic or research position. However, financial support to Post-Doctorates through fellowships and grants is crucial for continuing their research, which leads to capacity building and enhancing research quality and innovation. This "GSRF Post-Doctoral-Fellowship Scheme" envisages promoting research in all disciplines by providing financial assistance to the post-doctoral fellows at Goa University and other institutes of repute within and outside Goa, as laid down in this notification, to undertake research activities. The Post-Doctoral Fellows will catalyse the research environment in the State by engaging with students, Research Scholars and faculty.

III. Objectives and scope.— This scheme aims to promote excellence in research and innovation in Higher Education by supporting young researchers at the post-doctoral level in various disciplines. The following are the key objectives:

- Attract world-class researchers from India as well as from abroad to Goa
- Fellows will work on world-class and frontier areas of research
- Help develop a vibrant research culture in the State of Goa
- Mentoring graduates, post-graduate and PhD students with PDFs
- Publish research articles in high-impact research journals
- Fostering collaborations with other researchers through PDFs.

The scope of this scheme is to provide Post doctoral Fellowships to young and bright Doctorates to continue with their independent research.

IV. Operation of scheme.— The Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF) will execute this scheme.

V. Pattern of assistance.— The award shall consist of a fellowship amounting to Rs. 60,000/- (Sixty thousand only) per month (consolidated) and a Research grant of Rs. 1,00,000/- (One lakh only) per annum. The fellowship is tenable for a period of 2 years.

The amount received under the scheme may be utilised to incur the expenditure on the following items:

(a) **Fellowship:** The amount allotted under this head shall be utilised as a stipend (monthly fellowship) to carry out proposed research work.

(b) **Research Grant:** The admissible Research grant can be used for minor equipment, consumables, contingencies and domestic travel. Research grants may be utilised on spares for apparatus, photocopies and microfilms, typing, stationery, postage, telephone calls, internet, fax, computation, printing and other project-related items. Expenditure towards the audit fee may also be claimed under the research grant head. It can be used to purchase chemicals, glassware and other consumable items. There is no provision for providing manpower support under this scheme. The Fellow is expected to undertake the research objectives by himself/herself during the entire fellowship.

(c) Grants will be released to the Head of the Institution. The expenditure shall be debited to the appropriate Budget Head.

(d) Instruments/equipment/books/journals/other resources acquired under this scheme must be shared with other researchers and deposited to the Institute after the fellowship is completed, which will be the institutional property.

VI. Eligibility.— The Post-Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) scheme aims to identify motivated and ambitious young researchers and provide them with financial support for engaging in world-class research in frontier areas across the disciplines. To be eligible, the candidate must fulfil the following conditions:

(a) Must have obtained a PhD from a recognised University/institute.

(b) The upper age limit for the fellowship is 45 years, calculated as on the last date of the application submission.

(c) This Post-doctoral fellowship can be availed only once by a candidate in his/her career.

(d) The Post-doctoral fellow will work under the guidance of a mentor from the Host institution.

(e) The applicant shall have a 15-year certificate of residence from Goa.

(f) An applicant without 15 years certificate of residence from Goa can also apply for this fellowship, provided the applicant's PhD degree is from any of the following types of Institution:

(i) the Top 15 ranked institutes in NIRF (University or Research category)

(ii) Institutions of National Importance/ /Institutions of Eminence/National Research Institutions

(iii) Foreign University/Institute (QS/ /THE/ARWU ranking among the top 500 in World University ranking at any time).

However, it is mandatory to choose Goa University as the host institution for post doctoral work in such cases.

(g) Candidates who obtained a PhD degree from Goa University must choose the Host institution from the list of the Top 25 ranked institutes in NIRF (University or Research category) or a National Research Institution to carry out post doctoral work. Those applicants with 15 years certificate of residence from Goa but who obtained a Ph.D. degree from other than Goa University must choose Goa University as their host institution.

(h) The proposed mentor must hold a regular academic/research position in a

recognised institution in Goa/India and should have a Ph.D. degree in the subject related to the research proposal submitted by the candidate.

(i) The mentor shall not have more than one post doctoral fellow under this scheme at any given time.

(j) The candidate cannot have the same person as the Mentor if he/she has served as his/her PhD supervisor.

(k) The Post-doctoral fellows are not eligible to receive any other fellowship/ salary from any Government or Non-Governmental sources during the tenure of the fellowship.

(l) There is no provision for providing manpower support under this scheme. The fellows are expected to undertake independent research during the entire fellowship duration.

(m) The fellowship is a temporary assignment and is tenable for two years.

VII. Procedure for applying for the scheme.— Candidates must submit their application online, along with certificates and documents in response to the call/advertisement issued by the GSRF from time to time in the prescribed proforma, which will be available on the official website of the GSRF.

VIII. Procedure for selection of post-doctoral fellows.— (i) Applications received from applicants will be assessed by experts/an expert committee constituted by the GSRF.

(ii) An Expert Committee shall be constituted for this purpose by the Chairperson, GSRF, with the Experts in the field as members for considering the proposals.

(iii) The Committee shall scrutinise the proposals received for fellowship and recommend the eligible candidates in order of merit.

(iv) The Governing Council of GSRF will take the final decision based on recommendations made by the Committee and the availability of funds under the scheme.

IX. Procedure for release of fellowship/grants.—The first-year Fellowship and Research grant of Rs. 1,00,000/- (One lakh only) will be released after receiving the joining letter from the Post-doctoral fellow to the host institution. The second-year grant will be released upon the receipt of the following documents: (i) Annual Progress Report; (ii) Annual Statement of Expenditure and Utilisation Certificate.

Upon completion of the fellowship, the following documents must be submitted:

(i) Copy of the final report of research work along with a soft copy.

(ii) A consolidated item-wise detailed statement of expenditure incurred during the entire fellowship period, duly signed and sealed by the Registrar/Head of the Institution, Finance Officer and the Research guide/Mentor.

(iii) A consolidated Audited Utilization Certificate for the amount utilised to carry out proposed research work duly signed and sealed by the Chartered Accountant/Finance Officer, Registrar/Head of the Institution, and the Research guide/Mentor.

(iv) The unutilised fund, if any, should be refunded immediately after termination or completion of fellowship through a demand draft drawn in favour of the GSRF.

The host institution of the fellows is expected to settle the accounts immediately upon termination or completion of the fellowship.

X. General terms & conditions.— (a) After finalisation of the selection of the applicants, the selected candidates will be intimated of their selection. The awardees should send their acceptance certificate within two weeks to the GSRF duly forwarded by the Head of the institution to enable this foundation to send the approval/sanction letters.

(b) Fellowship is not transferable to any other person.

(c) If the Research guide/mentor is transferred from his/her original place of work to another Institution, No Objection Certificate

should be furnished for the transfer of the fellowship from the host institution. The new host Institution shall provide a certificate stating that necessary facilities will be provided by the Institution to which the awardee is transferred for the smooth functioning of the fellowship. This shall be approved by the GSRF.

(d) The fellows are encouraged to publish research papers based on the research work done during the fellowship in journals of high repute (UGC CARE list Group II journals). The fellows should acknowledge the support received from the GSRF in their publications.

(e) The fellows shall also inform GSRF about any publications that have resulted because of the award of the fellowship, even if the articles are published after the completion of the fellowship tenure. A soft copy of the published paper should be sent to the GSRF.

(f) The GSRF reserves the right to terminate the Fellowship at any stage if it is convinced that desired progress is not seen and/or the research grant is inappropriately utilised.

(g) No extension in tenure is permissible under any circumstances.

(h) If found appropriate, instruments/infrastructure developed through this scheme can be moved to a centralised facility/institute during or on completion of the fellowship, as decided by GSRF.

XI. Relaxation.— The Governing Council of GSRF is empowered to relax any or all clauses or conditions of the scheme in genuine cases.

XII. Interpretation.— If any question arises regarding the interpretation of any clause, word or expression of the scheme, the decision about the interpretation shall be with the GSRF, which shall be final and binding on all concerned.

XIII. Amendment.— The Governing Council of GSRF reserves the right to amend the terms and conditions of the scheme as and when required for better and more effective implementation of the scheme.

The Governing Council of Goa State Research Foundation approved the scheme during its first meeting on 21st July, 2023.

Malapati K. Janarthanam, Chairperson, Goa State Research Foundation.

Alto-Porvorim, 27th July, 2023.

Notification

GSRF/Schemes/Minor GR/12/2023

GSRF Minor Grant Research Scheme

The Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF) is pleased to frame the "GSRF Minor Grant Research Scheme" to provide financial assistance to the faculty members of Goa University and its affiliated/autonomous colleges and Goa Government-funded research institutes who wish to undertake a Research Project.

I. Short title and commencement.— (i) The scheme shall be called the "GSRF Minor Grants Research Scheme".

(ii) The scheme shall come into force from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette and remain in force until it is amended.

II. Introduction to the scheme.— National Education Policy 2020 recognises the importance of Research and knowledge creation in sustaining a vibrant economy. It underlines the significant expansion of research capabilities and output across disciplines. However, to conduct their research, funding opportunities shall be provided to the faculty members at Higher Educational Institutes. Hence, the "GSRF Minor Grant Research Scheme" has been designed to promote research in all areas by providing financial assistance to the faculty members of Goa University and its affiliated and autonomous colleges on a competitive basis to pursue research work along with their academic engagement.

III. Objectives and scope of the scheme.— This scheme aims to promote excellence in research and innovation in various disciplines

at Higher Educational Institutes (HEIs). Research problems shall also consider local needs. Industries and Government Departments shall be partners, and the benefits shall ultimately reach society. The key objective of the scheme is:

(i) To provide research support for the faculty members of HEIs in Goa and foster their research temper.

(ii) To cultivate the basic research capacity of faculty through the individual level of research support and motivate their original ideas and talent.

(iii) Provide grants to faculty in all disciplines and encourage interdisciplinary research work for the benefit of society.

Research and Development activities are considered essential components of the higher education system because they create new knowledge and insights and impart excitement and dynamism to the educational process. The scope of the scheme includes creating and improving the general research capabilities of the faculty members of the various Higher Educational Institutes (Goa University and its affiliated and autonomous colleges).

The proposals submitted by the project investigators shall include a specific project theme with a clear statement of achievable objectives, methodology, details of equipment and other research facilities proposed to be acquired and the expected deliverables from the project.

IV. Operation of the scheme.— This scheme shall be implemented and operated by the Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF).

V. Eligibility.— Financial assistance for GSRF Minor Grant Research Scheme-can be availed by the full-time regular faculty of Goa University and its affiliated or autonomous institutions and Goa Government funded research Institutes:

(i) The Principal Investigator (PI.) shall be a regular faculty member of Goa University or its affiliated or autonomous colleges or

Goa Government-funded research Institutes. And in addition, shall fulfil anyone of the following conditions:

(a) Hold a PhD degree or M.D/M.S./M.D.S/M.V.Sc. in Medicine, Dental and Veterinary from a recognised institution.

(b) A registered PhD candidate at a recognised institution.

(c) Published at least one article in the UGC-CARE list of journals as the first author or corresponding author within the last three years.

(ii) Individual faculty members can apply for a maximum of two projects at a time. However, if both projects are selected, the applicant can choose only one.

(iii) A faculty member can avail of only one project under this or any other scheme of GSRF at any given time.

(iv) The proposal submitted must be original in idea and content. Plagiarism in any form will lead to rejection of the proposal.

VI. Pattern of assistance.— A. The quantum of assistance under this GSRF Minor Grant Research Scheme will be as follows:

The maximum permissible grant in the disciplines outside STEM areas will be Rs. 3.00 lakhs (Non-recurring grant—Rs. 1.00 lakh and Recurring grants—Rs. 2.00 lakhs), and in STEM areas will be Rs. 4.00 lakhs (Non-recurring grant—Rs. 1.50 lakh and Recurring grants—Rs. 2.50 lakhs). No project staff will be allowed under this scheme.

B. The following are the Heads under which the budget will be recognised:

(i) Non-Recurring Grants

(1) Minor Equipment.

(2) Books and Journals.

The equipment, Books and Journals grants may be utilised to procure the essential equipment and books and journals needed for the proposed research work.

The Equipment, Books and Journals acquired by the P.I. under this scheme must be deposited at College/Goa University, as the case may be, after the completion of the project. These items will be institutional property.

(ii) Recurring Grants

(a) Hiring Services: This is meant for specialised technical services available on a payment basis, such as sample analysis, for which the University/College/institution has no infrastructure.

(b) Contingency: The admissible contingency grant may be utilised on spares for apparatus, photostat copies and microfilms, typing, stationery, postage, telephone calls, internet, fax, computation, printing and other project-related items. Expenditure towards the audit fee may also be claimed under the contingency head.

(c) Chemicals and Consumables: To meet expenditure on chemicals, glassware and other consumable items.

(d) Travel and/or Field Work: The amount allocated under the head travel/field work will be utilised for data collection and other information, including documents and visits to libraries within the general scope and sphere of the ongoing project. This can also be used for attending conferences, seminars, workshops, training courses, etc. However, it should be directly related to the project work and, at the most, one event in a year.

(e) Specific Need: Assistance may be provided for any other specific requirement concerning the project which is not covered under any other 'Head' of assistance under the scheme.

(f) Overhead charges: Institutional overhead charges are NOT PERMITTED under this scheme.

Grants will be released to the principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution.

(iii) Re-appropriation: The Principal Investigator may re-appropriate a maximum of 20 per cent of the non-recurring grant to a recurring grant and vice-versa allocated under each Head with the permission of GSRF by providing proper justification.

VII. Tenure and implementation.— The tenure of the GSRF Minor Grant Research project will be two years (2 years) from the date of sanctioning the project.

VIII. Procedure for applying for the scheme.— The Applicants are required to apply online as per the format in response to the call by GSRF. Pre-registration of PI is a must for applying online.

IX. Procedure for approval.— The applications received, complete in all aspects, will be peer-reviewed by the subject experts. Based on the review, recommendations will be made by the committee constituted for the purpose. The Governing Council of GSRF will take the final decision based on the recommendations made by the committee and the availability of funds under the scheme.

X. Procedure for release of grants.— The first instalment of the grant shall comprise 100% of the non-Recurring grant and 50% of the Recurring grant approved by the GSRF for the project's duration. The grant will be released to the Principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution.

On submission of the Annual Progress Report, statement of expenditure and utilisation certificate of 1st instalment of the grant, the remaining grant will be released as the second instalment.

XI. Completion of the project.— The following documents shall be submitted within three months from the end of the project:

(1) Copy of the Final Technical Report of the project along with the soft copy.

(2) A consolidated item-wise detailed statement of expenditure incurred during the entire project period in the prescribed proforma duly signed and sealed by the PI and the Principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution.

(3) A consolidated Audited Utilization Certificate for the amount utilised towards the project duly signed and sealed by the Chartered Accountant, Principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution and the PI in the prescribed proforma.

(4) The unutilised grant, if any, may be refunded immediately through a demand draft in favour of GSRF.

(5) It is mandatory to post the Executive Summary of the report, Research documents, monograph, academic papers published (or its link in case of copyrighted material), etc., under the Project on the college's website and that of GSRF.

(6) Upon project completion, the PI/Institution is expected to settle the accounts immediately (within three months). If the remaining grant is not claimed within six months from the project's completion date, the same will lapse, and no representation will be entertained on this behalf.

(7) The committee constituted for the purpose should review the completion report, and the closure letter shall be issued to the PI and the institution by the GSRF.

XII. General.— (a) After selecting the proposals, the names of PIs will be intimated to the respective institutions and/or PI. The PIs should send their acceptance certificate duly forwarded by the principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution within two weeks to the GSRF.

(b) The project is not transferable.

(c) In case the PI is transferred from his/her original place of work to another Institution within Goa, a No Objection Certificate should be furnished for the transfer of the project from both Institutions stating that necessary facilities will be provided by the Institution in which the awardee is transferred for the smooth functioning of the project. The instruments purchased under this scheme can be transferred to the new institution of PI if it is an ongoing project.

(d) GSRF encourages publishing the results with an acknowledgement of its support.

(e) Generally, no extension in tenure is permissible.

XIII. Relaxation.— The GSRF is empowered to relax any or all clauses or conditions of the scheme in genuine cases.

XIV. Redressal of grievances and disputes.— Grievances, if any, arising out of the implementation of this scheme will be heard and decided by the Chairperson (GSRF), and the decision in this regard shall be final and binding on all concerned.

The Governing Council of Goa State Research Foundation approved the scheme during its first meeting on 21st July, 2023.

Malapati K. Janarthanam, Chairperson,
Goa State Research Foundation.

Alto-Porvorim, 27th July, 2023.

Notification

GSRF/Schemes/Major RG/13/2023

GSRF Major Research Grant Scheme

The Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF) is pleased to frame the “GSRF Major Research Grant Scheme” to provide financial assistance to the faculty members of Goa University and its affiliated/autonomous colleges and Goa Government-funded research institutes who wish to undertake a Research Project.

I. Short title and commencement.— (i) The scheme shall be called the “GSRF Major Research Grant Scheme”.

(ii) The scheme shall come into force from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette and remain in force until it is amended.

II. Introduction to the scheme.— National Education Policy 2020 recognises the importance of Research and knowledge creation in sustaining a vibrant economy. The significance of high-quality, interdisciplinary research across fields is felt much more than ever. Hence, the “GSRF Major Research Grant Scheme” has been designed to provide financial assistance to the faculty members of

Goa University and its affiliated and autonomous colleges on a competitive basis to pursue research work along with their regular academic engagement. The scheme will promote research in all the basic, applied and interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary areas by providing financial assistance on a competitive basis.

III. Objectives and scope of the scheme.— This scheme aims to promote excellence in research and innovation in Higher Education Institutes by supporting researchers in various disciplines by providing funding. Research that considers local needs and works in collaboration with industries and Government Departments, whose benefits will ultimately reach society, will be promoted. The key objective of the scheme is:

(i) To create a research ambience in the State of Goa through Goa University and its affiliated and autonomous colleges by promoting research in basic, applied, interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary areas.

Research and Development activities are considered essential components of the higher education system because they create new knowledge and insights and impart excitement and dynamism to the education process. The scope of the scheme includes creating and improving the general research capabilities of the faculty members of the various Higher Educational Institutes (Goa University and its affiliated and autonomous colleges).

IV. Operation of the scheme.— The Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF) shall implement and operate this scheme.

V. Eligibility.— Financial assistance for Major Research Projects under this scheme can be availed by the full-time regular faculty of Goa University and its affiliated/autonomous colleges and Goa Government-funded Research Institutes.

(i) The Principal Investigator (P.I.) and Co-Principal Investigator, if any, should be a full-time regular employee with a PhD degree or M.D./M.S./M.D.S./M.V.Sc. in the fields of

Medicine, Dental or Veterinary, and an interest in high-quality research.

(ii) Individual faculty members can apply for a maximum of two projects at a time. However, if both projects are selected, the applicant can choose only one.

(iii) A faculty member can avail of only one project under this or any other scheme of GSRF at any given time.

VI. Pattern of assistance.—

A. The quantum of assistance for a major research project under this scheme will be as under:

(a) The maximum permissible grant in the disciplines outside STEM areas (eg. Humanities, Social Sciences, Arts, Languages, Commerce, Law, Management, etc.) will be Rs. 15.00 lakhs only, i.e. Non-recurring Rs. 2.00 lakhs and Recurring Grants-Rs. 13.00 lakhs.

(b) The maximum permissible grant in the disciplines in STEM areas (eg. Sciences, Engineering, Technology) will be Rs. 25.00 lakhs only, i.e. Non-recurring Rs. 5.00 lakhs and Recurring Grants-Rs. 20.00 lakhs.

(c) The maximum permissible grant in the interdisciplinary areas involving STEM areas (eg. Sciences, Engineering, Technology) will be Rs. 25.00 lakhs only, i.e. Non-recurring Rs. 5.00 lakhs and Recurring Grants-Rs. 20.00 lakhs. This also includes STEM areas involving non-STEM areas.

(d) The maximum permissible grant in the interdisciplinary areas involving outside STEM areas (eg. Humanities, Social Sciences, Arts, Languages, Commerce, Law, Management, etc.) will be Rs. 15.00 lakhs only, i.e. Non-recurring Rs. 2.00 lakhs and Recurring Grants-Rs. 13.00 lakhs.

B. The following are the Heads under which the budget will be recognised:

1. Non-Recurring Grants

(1) Equipment

(2) Books and Journals

The equipment, Books and Journals grants may be utilised to procure the essential equipment and books and journals needed for the proposed research work.

The Equipment, Books and Journals acquired by the P.I. under this scheme must be deposited at College/Goa University, as the case may be, after the completion of the project. These items will be institutional property.

2. Recurring Grants

(1) Project staff: This is basically for appointing temporary staff such as Project Assistants. The fellowship will be Rs. 20,000/- per month (rupees twenty thousand only) or as per the guidelines issued from time to time by the GSRF.

(2) Hiring Services: This is meant for specialised technical services available on a payment basis, such as sample analysis, for which the University/College/institution has no infrastructure.

(3) Contingency: The admissible contingency grant may be utilised on spares for apparatus, photostat copies and microfilms, typing, stationery, postage, telephone calls, internet, fax, computation, printing and other project-related items. Expenditure towards the audit fee may also be claimed under the contingency head.

(4) Chemicals and Consumables: To meet expenditure on chemicals, glassware and other consumable items.

(5) Travel and/or Field Work: The amount allocated under the head travel/field work will be utilised for data collection and other information, including documents and visits to libraries within the general scope and sphere of the ongoing project. This can also be used for attending conferences, seminars, workshops, training courses, etc.; however, it should be directly related to the project work and, at most, one event in a year. No foreign travel will be allowed under this scheme.

(6) Special Need: Assistance may be provided for any other special requirement concerning the project which is not covered under any other 'Head' of assistance under the scheme.

(7) Overhead charges: Institutional overhead charges are NOT PERMITTED under this scheme.

Grants will be released to the principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution.

C. Re-appropriation: The Principal Investigator may re-appropriate a maximum of 20 per cent of the non-recurring grant to a recurring grant and vice-versa allocated under each Head with the permission of GSRF by providing proper justification.

VII. *Tenure and implementation.*— The project's tenure sanctioned under GSRF Major Research Grant Scheme will be three years (3 years) from the project's sanction date.

VIII. *Procedure for applying for the scheme.*— The Applicants are required to apply online as per the format in response to the call by GSRF. Pre-registration of PI, Co-PI (if any) and the institution is a must for applying online.

IX. *Procedure for approval.*— The applications received, complete in all aspects, will be peer-reviewed by the subject experts. Based on the review, recommendations will be made by the committee constituted for the purpose. The Governing Council of GSRF will take the final decision based on the recommendations made by the committee and the availability of funds under the scheme.

X. *Procedure for release of grants.*— The first instalment of the grant shall comprise 100% of the Non-Recurring grant and 100% of the Recurring grant approved by the GSRF for the first year. The grant will be released to the Principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution.

On submission of the Annual Progress Report, statement of expenditure and utilisation certificate of 1st instalment of the

grant, the second year grant will be released as the second instalment. Following a similar procedure, the third-year instalment will be released.

XI. *Completion of the project.*— The following documents shall be submitted within three months from the end of the project:

(1) Copy of the Final Technical Report of the project along with the soft copy.

(2) A consolidated item-wise detailed statement of expenditure incurred during the entire project period in the prescribed proforma duly signed and sealed by the PI and the Principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution.

(3) A consolidated Audited Utilization Certificate for the amount utilised towards the project duly signed and sealed by the Chartered Accountant, Principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution and the PI. in the prescribed proforma.

(4) The unutilised grant, if any, shall be refunded immediately through a demand draft in favour of GSRF.

(5) The committee constituted for the purpose should review the completion report.

XII. *General.*— (a) After the finalisation of the selection of the Major Research projects, the names of the selected PIs will be intimated to the respective institutions and/or PI. The PIs should send their acceptance certificate duly forwarded by the principal of the college/Registrar of the Goa University/Head of the Institution immediately to the GSRF.

(b) The project is not transferable.

(c) In case the PI. is transferred from his/her original place of work to another Institution within Goa, a No Objection Certificate should be furnished for the transfer of the project from the host Institution. The new host institution shall provide a certificate stating that the Institution will provide necessary facilities to the awardee for the smooth functioning of the project. The assets acquired can be transferred

to the new institution in case of ongoing projects.

(d) The GSRF encourages publishing results of the project supported by the GSRF. However, the investigator should acknowledge the support received from the GSRF in these publications.

(e) Generally, no extension in tenure is permissible.

XIII. Relaxation of conditions.— The GSRF is empowered to relax any or all clauses or conditions of the scheme in genuine cases.

XIV. Interpretation.— If any questions arise regarding the interpretation of any clause, word or expression of the scheme, the decision about the interpretation shall be with the GSRF, which shall be final and binding on all concerned.

The Governing Council of Goa State Research Foundation approved the scheme during its first meeting on 21st July, 2023.

*Malapati K. Janarthanam, Chairperson,
Goa State Research Foundation.*

Alto-Porvorim, 27th July, 2023.

Notification

GSRF/Schemes/RSG/14/2023

GSRF Research Start-Up Grant Scheme

The Goa State Research Foundation is pleased to frame the “GSRF Research Start-Up Grant Scheme” to provide grants to newly recruited faculty members at the level of Assistant Professor to establish research setup and start their independent research without any financial constraints.

I. Short title & commencement.— (a) This scheme shall be called the “GSRF Research Start-Up Grant Scheme”.

(b) This scheme shall come into force from the date of its notification in the Official Gazette.

II. Introduction.— National Education Policy 2020 indicates the need for nurturing research at Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs). While more and more faculty members are joining HEIs with research degrees, more

funding opportunities are needed to head start their research. A grant provided at the beginning of their career helps them to begin their research immediately. This support is expected to provide an encouraging research ecosystem in every HEI.

III. Objectives and scope.— This scheme aims to provide grants to the newly recruited faculty members at the level of Assistant Professor to establish a research setup and start their independent research without any financial constraints. The primary objectives are:

(a) To provide an opportunity through funding for the newly recruited faculty members to start their research.

(b) To encourage talented research-oriented faculty members to take a systematic research approach.

IV. Operation of scheme.— The Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF) will operate this scheme.

V. Pattern of financial assistance.— The nature and quantum of assistance under this scheme will be as follows:

(a) It will be a one-time grant.

(b) The grant will be Rs. 5,00,000/- for the faculty in the field of STEM and Rs. 3,00,000/- for the people from other disciplines.

(c) The duration to utilise this money will be two years from the date of the sanction letter.

(d) The grant can be utilised towards minor equipment, consumables, contingencies, analytical charges, travel, fieldwork, etc. There is no provision for overhead charges. Purchase of Desktops/Laptops, printers, and furniture not permitted. PI. can decide the proportion of money to spend under each head.

(e) Grant cannot be used for international travel or appointing research personnel or project assistants.

VI. Eligibility for research start-up grant scheme.— (a) The newly joined faculty members with Ph.D. degrees or M.D/M.S/ M.D.S/M.V.Sc. in the fields of Medicine, Dental and Veterinary, and appointed against the permanent position at the level of the Assistant Professor in Goa University or its affiliated or autonomous colleges are eligible to apply within two years from the date of joining.

(b) They should have published a minimum of three research articles in UGC-CARE-listed journals.

(c) The applicant should not have received any other grant from funding agencies.

VII. Procedure for applying for the scheme.—

(1) An application can be made once in a year after the call is made by the GSRF through its web portal.

(2) Documents required and procedure to be followed during application:

(a) Online registration with all the details

(b) Write-up of proposed work in about 500 words

(c) Scanned copy of category certificate and/or Differently Abled Certificate.

(d) Declaration from the candidate (in prescribed format).

(e) Endorsement from the Head of the Institute (in prescribed format)

VIII. Procedure for selection.— The Expert Committee constituted for this purpose will review the applications and make recommendations. The Governing Council of GSRF will take the final decision based on recommendations made by the Expert Committee and the availability of funds under the scheme.

IX. Procedure for release of grants.— (a) With the sanction letter, 80% of the grants will be released as the first instalment. The remaining 20% will be released in the second year against the submission of UC of the first instalment.

(b) PIs shall spend the sanctioned money by the closure date, i.e. within two years of the first sanction letter.

(c) At the end of two years, PI. shall submit UC, Statement of Expenditure and other details along with Terminal Report to the GSRF within one month of the closure date.

(d) All the grants will be released to the College/Goa University, as the case may be.

X. General terms & conditions.— (a)

Selected candidates will be informed of their selection, and the awardees should send their acceptance certificate duly forwarded by the Head of the institution immediately to the GSRF to enable the office to send the approval/sanction letters.

(b) Research Start-up grant is not transferable.

(c) The recipients of grants are encouraged to publish research papers based on the research work done during this period in journals of high repute (UGC CARE list Group II journals). The investigator should acknowledge the support from the GSRF in their publications.

(d) The recipients shall also inform GSRF about any publications that have resulted because of the award of the grant, even if the articles are published after the completion of the tenure of the support. A soft copy of the published paper should be sent to the GSRF.

(e) No extension in tenure is permissible.

(f) Grantees must submit a Final Technical Report, Utilization Certificate, Statement of Expenditure and Copies of publications (both hard and soft copies) at the end of the grant period. In addition, they must fill in a questionnaire or give a presentation on their work or both on submitting their terminal report.

(g) If found appropriate, instruments/infrastructure developed through this scheme

can be moved to a centralised facility/institute during or on completion of the grant period, as decided by GSRF.

XI. Relaxation of conditions.— The Governing Council shall be empowered to relax any or all clauses or conditions of the scheme in genuine cases.

XII. Interpretation.— Any question arising regarding the interpretation of any clause, word or expression of the scheme, the decision about the interpretation shall be with the GSRF, which shall be final and binding on all concerned.

XIII. Amendment.— The GSRF reserves the right to amend the terms and conditions of the scheme as and when required for better and effective implementation of the Scheme.

The Governing Council of Goa State Research Foundation approved the scheme during its first meeting on 21st July, 2023.

*Malapati K. Janarthanam, Chairperson,
Goa State Research Foundation.*

Alto-Porvorim, 27th July, 2023.

Notification

GSRF/Schemes/SWS/15/2023

GSRF Summer/Winter School Scheme

The Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF) is pleased to frame the “GSRF Summer/Winter School Scheme” to provide Research exposure to IX-XII standard and Under Graduate students and teachers.

I. Short title & commencement.— (a) This scheme shall be called the “GSRF Summer/Winter School Scheme”.

(b) This scheme shall come into force from the date of its notification in the Official Gazette.

II. Introduction.— Summer and Winter vacations could promote research by exposing school students, school teachers and UG students to various aspects of research, including instrumentation, experimentation, ideation through brainstorming, hackathons, programming, exposure to software used in research, field data collection, analysing data, etc. As already instrumentation facilities, lab facilities, computer facilities, classrooms, etc., are available in the Colleges and Goa University

and they are generally not utilised during the vacations in Summer and Winter, they could be effectively used by the faculty members and their research students to conduct these summer/winter schools.

III. Objectives and scope.— This scheme aims to expose students from IX-XII standard, school teachers and UG students to research methods and tools, including instrumentation, to create excitement. The following are the key objectives:

(a) To use the summer/winter vacations in creating research interest in students from IX standard to UG level and school teachers.

(b) To provide financial assistance to the institutions and faculty members to conduct this programme.

Under this scheme, financial assistance can be requested by the HEIs/faculty members for the following:

(i) Summer/Winter School for School students from IX-XII from schools of Goa (Affiliated/Autonomous colleges of Goa University are eligible to apply).

(ii) Summer/Winter School for School teachers from IX-XII from schools of Goa (Affiliated/Autonomous colleges of Goa University are eligible to apply).

(iii) Summer/Winter School for Under Graduate students from affiliated/autonomous colleges of Goa University (Goa University and recognised research centres of Goa University in colleges are eligible to apply).

The duration of the workshop shall be a minimum of five working days to a maximum of ten working days.

IV. Operation of scheme.— The Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF) will execute this scheme.

V. Pattern of assistance.— The quantum of assistance under this scheme is based on the approved proposal with estimates and actual expenditure under the following heads:

(a) Consumables (including chemicals, essential glassware, etc.)

- (b) Honorarium (for the resource persons, assistants in the laboratory, etc.)
- (c) Working lunch, tea, snacks
- (d) Contingency (for stationery, photocopying, certificate printing, etc.)
- (e) Overhead charges for the institute (20% total cost of a-d above).

However, the total support for any event shall not exceed Rs. 2,50,000.

VI. Eligibility.— Considering the availability of research facilities, the following types of institutions are eligible to conduct the programme:

- (a) Affiliated and autonomous colleges of Goa University to conduct Summer/Winter Schools for School students from IX-XII.
- (b) Affiliated and autonomous colleges of Goa University to conduct Summer/Winter Schools for School teachers.
- (c) Goa University and recognised research centres of Goa University in colleges are eligible to run Summer/Winter Schools for Under Graduate students.

VII. Procedure for applying under the scheme.— Higher Education Institutes in Goa, as specified under item (VI) above, can apply online in response to the call by the GSRF. Each institute can apply for multiple Schools under the scheme (eg. Both Summer and Winter or one in science and another in Humanities). The proposal shall contain a whole syllabus that will be covered along with identified resource persons. The schools can be multidisciplinary, interdisciplinary or only in identified specialised areas. A coordinator needs to be identified. Tentative dates and target audience, including number, must be given in the application. A certificate from the Head of the Institution assuring all the facilities shall be uploaded along with the application.

VIII. Procedure for selection.— Applications received will be scrutinised and evaluated by an appointed committee. The committee may invite the coordinator to discuss the content (syllabus) and/or budget during the reviewing

process. Once recommended by the committee with their observations, the Governing Council will take a final decision based on the observations and recommendations of the committee and the availability of the funds under the scheme.

IX. Procedure for release of grants.— After the approval of selection by the Governing Council for funding, the concerned coordinators/institutes will be informed by the GSRF. The sanction letters will be issued, and the grant will be released after receiving an acceptance letter from the institute.

X. General terms & conditions.— On completion of the programme, the following documents need to be submitted by the Coordinator/Institute:

- a) A report of the event.
- b) Attendance certificate of the participants.
- c) Feedback from the participants.
- d) Statement of expenditure.
- e) Utilisation certificate.
- f) The unutilised grant, if any, shall be returned to the GSRF.

XI. Relaxation of conditions.— The GSRF is empowered to relax any or all clauses or conditions of the scheme in genuine cases.

XII. Interpretation.— Any question arising regarding the interpretation of any clause, word or expression of the scheme, the decision about the interpretation shall be with the GSRF, which shall be final and binding on all concerned.

XIII. Amendment.— The Governing Council of GSRF reserves the right to amend the terms and conditions of the scheme as and when required for better and more effective implementation of the scheme.

The Governing Council of Goa State Research Foundation approved the scheme during its first meeting on 21st July, 2023.

*Malapati K. Janarthanam, Chairperson,
Goa State Research Foundation.*

Alto-Porvorim, 27th July, 2023.

V. No. AP-634

Department of Law & Judiciary
Law (Establishment) Division

Order

1/19/2015/LD(Estt.)/1515

The Government has agreed to modify the existing Terms & Conditions towards the payment of professional fees and other allowances to the Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates/Government Lawyers appearing in the High Court of Bombay at Goa, any High Courts or Tribunal of other States for defending the interest of the State Government, in the matters concerned and which shall come into effect from 01-11-2022.

1. *Professional Fees.*— a) Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates/Government Lawyers, shall be entitle the following professional fees for his/her appearance in all types of matters/cases in the High Court of Bombay at Goa, any High Courts or Tribunal of other States, depending upon their numbers of years of practice in various courts, as under:—

Sr. No.	Number of Year of Practices	Amount of Retainership per month	Amount of fees per Appearance/ max. hearing per month	Total max. amount
1.	Below 10 years	Rs. 20,000/-	Rs. 4,000/- x 25 hearings	Rs. 1,00,000/-
2.	Above 10 years to 15 years	Rs. 20,000/-	Rs. 4,5000/-x 25 hearings	Rs. 1,12,500/-
3.	Above 15 years to 20 years	Rs. 20,000/-	Rs. 5,000/- x 25 hearings	Rs. 1,25,000/-
4.	Above 20 years to 25 years	Rs. 20,000/-	Rs. 6,000/- x 25 hearings	Rs. 1,50,000/-
5.	Above 25 years	Rs. 20,000/-	Rs. 8,000/- x 25 hearings	Rs. 2,00,000/-

b) The above fee is inclusive for holding conferences/discussion with client Department, drafting petition/affidavits, preparing case briefing, etc.

2. *Other entitlements.*— a) *Staff.*— The Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates who are not attached to the Office of the Ld. Advocate General shall entitle to a Clerk and Peon only upon completion of two years as Government Advocate/Additional Government Advocates of their choice with monthly fixed remuneration of Rs. 11,000/- and Rs. 8,900/- respectively, subject to the approval of the Law Secretary. Their monthly remuneration shall be increased by 5% every year in the month of July subject to completion of a year. However, this will not affect existing arrangements that are already provided with the Clerk/Peon. The proposal for appointment of Staff by Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates/Government Lawyers in no way will be entertained with retrospective effect and only will be applicable on prior approval by the Secretary Law.

(b) *Miscellaneous expenses.*— i) They shall also be entitled for reimbursement of an amount of Rs. 2,000/- (maximum) per month towards expenses on stationery, purchase of papers photo copying of documents, pleading, case laws extracts/citations, copies of affidavit filed with annexures etc., subject to production of necessary bills/receipts duly certified by respective Advocates, stating that:—

"the amount shown in the bill/receipt has been paid towards expenses on stationery/purchase of papers/photo copying of documents/pleading/case laws extracts/citation/copies of affidavit filed with annexures for official purpose and no claim has been made from any other Government Department/Offices concerned for same item".

ii) The reimbursement of bills shall not be entertained after 90 days of actual expenditure incurred.

iii) They should also ensure that no separate billing should be done to the Government Department/Offices concerned for the said items.

iv) Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates directly attached to Ld. Advocates General shall not be entitled for the above facility of staff and miscellaneous expenses indicated at above.

(c) Travelling expenses.— In the event, Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates are required to attend Court Proceedings before other High Court/Other Courts in other parts of State, they shall be permitted to travel by Air in Economy class only. In addition they shall be reimbursed expenses incurred on Hotel Accomodation, charges for travel within city and Food bill subject to the following limits.

(i) Hotel Accomodation per day: Rs. 3,000/-.

(ii) Charges for travel within city: Non AC taxi charges upto Rs. 500/. However, the advocate have to certify the same, providing the certificate to that effect.

(iii) Food bill per day: Rs. 1,000/-.

(d) Telephone facilities:— Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates

shall be entitled for reimbursement of phone bills (which includes landline and mobile taken together) upto a maximum Rs. 1,500/- per month.

(e) Medical reimbursement:— Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates shall be entitled to free medical treatment at Government Hospitals and reimbursement of medical expenses as per rules applicable to Group 'A' Officers of the State Government.

(f) Identification of number of year of practice/experience of Advocates.— The number of years of practice/experience of the Government Advocate/Addl. Government Advocate/Government Lawyers shall be certified by the Registry of Hon'ble High Court/Tribunals on yearly basis. The Hon'ble Court/Tribunal shall be the sole competent authority to verify whether the Advocate has practiced before it or not. The Certificate shall be furnished by the Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates/Government Lawyers by the 15th of January every year to the Office of Law Department (Estt.), Secretariat, Porvorim, Goa and on basis of the same the bills of the advocates will be process/settle for that respective year.

This issues with approval of the Government and concurrence of Finance (Exp.) Department vide their U. No. 1400090085 dated 28-12-2022 and in supersession of all other earlier terms and conditions applicable for Government Advocates/Additional Government Advocates/Government Lawyers, issued in this behalf from time to time.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Amir Y. Parab, Under Secretary, Law (Estt.).

Porvorim, 5th September, 2023.

Department of Personnel

Notification

1/10/2023-PER

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India and in supersession of the Government Notification No. 1/6/2006-PER dated 16-11-2006 published in the Official Gazette, Series I No. 35 dated 30-11-2006, the Governor of Goa hereby makes the following rules to regulate the recruitment to the Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted post, in the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Government of Goa, namely:—

1. Short title, application and commencement.— (1) These rules may be called the Government of Goa, Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted post, Recruitment Rules, 2023.

(2) They shall apply to the post specified in column (1) of the Schedule to these rules (hereinafter called as the "said Schedule").

(3) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Number, classification and level in the pay matrix.— The number of posts, classification of the said post and level in the pay matrix attached thereof shall be as specified in columns (2) to (4) of the said Schedule:

Provided that the Government may vary the number of posts as specified in column (2) of the said Schedule from time to time subject to exigencies of work.

3. Method of recruitment, age limit and other qualifications.— The method of recruitment to the said post, age limit, qualifications and other matters connected therewith shall be as specified in columns (5) to (13) of the said Schedule.

4. Disqualification.— No person who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living or who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person, shall be eligible for appointment to the service:

Provided that the Government may, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person and the other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.

5. Power to relax.— Where, the Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by order, for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

6. Saving.— Nothing in these rules shall affect reservation, relaxation of age limit and other concessions required to be provided for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, Ex-servicemen and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Government from time to time in that regard.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Eshant V. Sawant, Under Secretary
(Personnel-I).

Porvorim, 5th September, 2023.

SCHEDULE

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Method of recruitment, whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation/absorption, grades from which promotion/absorption is to be filled by various methods to be made	In case of recruitment by promotion/deputation/absorption, what is its percentage of the vacancies to be filled by absorption is to be made	Circumstances in which the Goa Public Service Commission composition is to be consulted in making recruitment
Data Entry Operator. (Subject to variation dependent on work-load).	01 (2023)	Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted.	L-2.	N.A.	Not exceeding 45 years (Relaxable for Government servants upto five years in accordance with the instructions or orders issued by the Government from time to time).	Essential:	(1) Higher Secondary School Certificate from a recognized Board or All India Council for Technical Education approved Diploma awarded by a recognized State Board of Technical Education or equivalent qualification from a recognized Institution.	(2) Six months Diploma course in Computer.	(3) Minimum typing speed of 30 words per minute.	(4) Knowledge of Konkani.	Desirable:	Knowledge of Marathi.	www.goaprintingpress.gov.in		